

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claims 1-3 (Canceled).

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): A barrier rib for an EL display element which is formed from a radiation sensitive resin composition comprising (A) an alkali soluble resin selected from the group consisting of a novolak resin, a homopolymer of a radical polymerizable monomer having a phenolic hydroxyl group, a homopolymer of a radical polymerizable monomer having a carboxyl group, a copolymer of the radical polymerizable monomer and another radical polymerizable monomer, and a copolymer of at least one selected from the group consisting of an unsaturated carboxylic acid and unsaturated carboxylic monomer selected from the group consisting of an unsaturated carboxylic acid and an unsaturated carboxylic anhydride, and an epoxy group-containing unsaturated compound and another olefinic unsaturated compound other than these said at least one unsaturated compounds carboxylic monomer and said epoxy-group-containing unsaturated compound, (B) a polymerizable compound having an ethylenically unsaturated bond, and (C) a radiation sensitive polymerization initiator, on a substrate, said barrier rib having a trapezoidal cross sectional form with a longer top side than the bottom side on the substrate and an angle formed by a straight line connecting the upper pattern edge and the lower pattern edge and the top side of 15 to 75°.

Claim 5 (Previously Presented): The barrier rib for an EL display element according to Claim 4, wherein the resin composition contains a colorant.

Claim 6 (Previously Presented): The barrier rib for an EL display element according to claim 5 which has an optical density value of 0.1 or more with a film thickness of 1  $\mu\text{m}$ .

Claim 7 (Canceled).

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): The barrier rib for an EL display element according to claim 4, ~~which comprises~~ wherein a volatile component ~~generated by heating at 25°C to 200°C~~ is present in the barrier rib in an amount of 10 % or less of the weight of the barrier rib, the amount of said volatile compound being determined by elevating the temperature of said barrier rib from 25°C to 200°C at a rate of 1°C/s.

Claim 9 (Previously Presented): An EL display element comprising the barrier ribs of claim 4.

Claims 10-13 (Canceled).

Claim 14 (Previously Presented): The barrier rib from an EL display element according to Claim 4, wherein said angle is from 40 to 50°.

Claim 15 (Previously Presented): An EL display element comprising the barrier ribs of Claim 5.

Claim 16 (Currently Amended): The barrier rib for an EL display element according to Claim 8, wherein the volatile component ~~generated~~ is 5% or less of the weight of the barrier rib.

Claim 17 (Currently Amended): The barrier rib for an EL display element according to Claim 8, wherein the volatile component ~~generated~~ is 2% or less of the weight of the barrier rib.

Claim 18 (Currently Amended): The barrier rib for an EL display element according to Claim 8, wherein the volatile component ~~generated~~ is 1% or less of the weight of the barrier rib.

BASIS FOR THE AMENDMENT

Claim 4 has been amended to make clear the nature of the alkali soluble resin (A), consistent with the disclosure at page 4, line 26 to page 34, more particularly defining the homopolymer and the copolymer.

The amendment to Claims 8 and 16-18 find basis at page 44, lines 5-9 of the specification.